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CHAIRMAN OF THE COUNCIL.	D.R. STOKES ESQ., J.P. (1954/5)
SENR. VICE CHAIRMAN.	S.A. JONES ESQ., "
JUNR. VICE CHAIRMAN.	S. HEATH ESQ., "
PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.	
CHAIRMAN.	S.A. JONES ESQ.,
VICE CHAIRMAN.	F.W. CHAPLIN ESQ.,
HOUSING COMMITTEE.	
CHAIRMAN.	J.A. DUNKLEY ESQ., C.C.
VICE CHAIRMAN.	W.S. BAKER ESQ.,
PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS.	
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.	W.D. CRUICKSHANK M.B. CH.B.
SURVEYOR & CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR.	A.N. TROWBRIDGE M.B.E.
ADDITIONAL SANITARY INSPECTORS.	G.H. FYFE. W. BLACK.
CLERICAL STAFF.	MRS. A.A. THORPE.

MR. CHAIRMAN, LADIES & GENTLEMEN,

I HAVE MUCH PLEASURE IN PRESENTING THE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1954.

THE POPULATION OF THE DISTRICT HAS INCREASED SLIGHTLY AND THE RATEABLE VALUE HAS INCREASED BY NEARLY £9,000.

THE BIRTH RATE HAS GONE DOWN FROM 16·3 TO 14·4 AND IS BELOW THE AVERAGE FOR ENGLAND AND WALES, WHICH IS 15·2.

THE DEATH RATE IS ALMOST EXACTLY THE SAME AS LAST YEAR, 9·9.

THE IMPROVEMENT IN THE PROVISION OF PIPED WATER SUPPLIES CONTINUES AND STEADY PROGRESS IS REPORTED ON THE SOUTHERN AREA SCHEME.

NEW SEWERAGE SCHEMES HAVE BEEN STARTED IN SEVERAL VILLAGES AND OTHERS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED FOR MINISTRY APPROVAL.

THE INCIDENCE OF BRUCELLA ABORTUS AGAIN CAUSED CONCERN AND TWO STOPPAGE NOTICES WERE SERVED ON MILK PRODUCERS DURING

THE YEAR AND FIRM ACTION HAD TO BE TAKEN REGARDING A CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION MADE BY ONE OF THE FARMERS CONCERNED. IT IS INTERESTING TO RECORD THAT THIS PARTICULAR CASE INVOLVED THE TAKING OF OVER 50 SAMPLES AND THE USE OF 14 GUINEA PIGS.

FOLLOWING THE ABOLITION OF MEAT RATIONING AND SLAUGHTERING CONTROL IN JULY, SIXTEEN SLAUGHTERHOUSES WERE LICENSED IN THE DISTRICT. THIS HAS GREATLY INCREASED THE VISITS FOR MEAT INSPECTION PURPOSES AND I AM GLAD TO BE ABLE TO REPORT THAT THE QUALITY OF CATTLE SLAUGHTERED HAS BEEN EXCELLENT. OUR AIM IS 100% MEAT INSPECTION AND I AM HAPPY TO REPORT THAT THIS IS BEING CARRIED OUT. THIS WAS ONE OF THE REASONS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF ANOTHER SANITARY INSPECTOR.

AS ANTICIPATED, THE NUMBER OF NEW HOUSES ERECTED DURING THE YEAR DROPPED CONSIDERABLY AND IT IS RECORDED THAT DURING THE YEAR THE THOUSANDTH POSTWAR COUNCIL HOUSE WAS COMPLETED.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFICATIONS SHOWED A SLIGHT INCREASE, DUE TO WHOOPING COUGH BEING PREVALENT AND WHICH RESULTED IN ONE DEATH. THE FOOD POISONING CASES WERE ALL OF A MINOR CHARACTER AND VERY TRANSIENT.

TUBERCULOSIS DEATHS WERE LESS THAN HALF OF LAST YEAR, BEING 3 AGAINST 8.

FOR THE SEVENTH CONSECUTIVE YEAR NO CASE OF DIPHTHERIA WAS NOTIFIED AND I AM GLAD TO REPORT THAT THE PRIMARY IMMUNISATION FIGURES HAVE RISEN CONSIDERABLY ON LAST YEAR, BUT THERE ARE STILL TOO MANY CHILDREN NOT RECEIVING THIS FREE, PAINLESS SAFEGUARD.

IN CONCLUSION MAY I THANK YOU, SIR, AND THE MEMBERS OF YOUR COMMITTEE FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND THE MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR LOYAL SERVICE THROUGHOUT THE YEAR AND I PARTICULARLY WISH TO RECORD THE SERVICES OF MR. TROWBRIDGE AND MR. FYFE, ESPECIALLY IN THE PREPARATION OF THIS REPORT, DETAILS OF WHICH FOLLOW.

I HAVE THE HONOUR TO BE

YOUR OBEDIENT SERVANT,

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

STATISTICS AND SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA.

AREA (IN ACRES)	63,717.
POPULATION CENSUS 1921	23,196.
" " 1931	23,544.
ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION 1953	26,790.
" " " 1954	26,890.
NUMBER OF INHABITED HOUSES	8,333.
RATEABLE VALUE (AT 31ST. MARCH 1954)	£119,077.
SUM REPRESENTED BY A PENNY RATE	£441.

Social Conditions.

The population is partly industrial and partly agrarian, the main industries being coal mining, granite quarrying, engineering, boot & shoe and hosiery manufacture. These are mainly situated in the North of the District.

VITAL STATISTICS.

Births, legitimate.	M. 172.	F. 211.	Total. 383.
Births, illegitimate.	M. 8.	F. 3.	Total. 11.
	M. 180.	F. 214.	Total. 394.

Stillbirths. 13 legitimate. 2 illegitimate. Total. 15.

Birth Rate	14·4.
Birth Rate for England & Wales	15·2.
Deaths. M. 155. F. 113. Total	268.
Crude Death Rate	9·9
Death Rate for England and Wales	11·3
Deaths from Puerperal Sepsis	0.
other Puerperal Causes	0.
Deaths of Infants under 1 year of age:- Legitimate... 12. Illegitimate.... 0. Total.	12.
Infant Mortality Rate per 1,000 Births	30·4.
" " " for England & Wales	25·5.
Deaths from Cancer (all ages)	39.
Deaths from Measles (all ages)	0.
Deaths from Whooping Cough (all ages)	1.
Deaths from Diarrhoea (under 2 years)	0.

CAUSES OF DEATH (CIVILIANS ONLY)

Causes of Death.	Males.	Females.
All causes	155.	113.
Measles	0	0
Whooping Cough	1	0
Diphtheria	0	0
Other Infectious Diseases	0	0
Influenza	2	1
Poliomyelitis	0	0
Meningococcal Infection	0	0
Respiratory Tuberculosis	2	1
Other Tuberculosis	0	0
Syphilis	1	0
Cancer, malignant disease	21	18
Leukaemia	1	0
Diabetes	1	1
Intra Cranial Vascular Lesions	25	17
Angina	17	9

CAUSES OF DEATH. (CONT)

	MALES.	FEMALES.
HEART DISEASE WITH HYPERTENSION.....	1.	2.
OTHER HEART DISEASES.....	30	16
OTHER CIRCULATORY DISEASES.....	8	17
BRONCHITIS.....	12	2
PNEUMONIA (ALL FORMS)	3	5
OTHER RESPIRATORY DISEASES.....	1	2
ULCER OF STOMACH OR DUODENUM.....	1	1
DIARRHOEA.....	0	0
ACUTE & CHRONIC NEPHRITIS.....	3	2
HYPERPLASIA OF PROSTATE.....	5	0
CONGENITAL CAUSES.....	2	1
PUERPERAL SEPSIS.....	0	0
INFECTIVE & PARASITIC DISEASES.....	0	0
OTHER ILL DEFINED DISEASES.....	14	16
SUICIDE.....	0	0
ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.....	1	0
ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS.....	3	2
HOMICIDE.....	0	0

GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES IN THE AREA.

HOSPITALS PROVIDED BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE:-

A.1. FEVER.

THE ISOLATION HOSPITALS ARE CONTROLLED BY THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE. PATIENTS ARE SENT TO SUCH HOSPITALS AS HAVE BEDS AVAILABLE FOR THE DISEASE FROM WHICH THEY ARE SUFFERING.

2. SMALL POX.

THERE ARE TWO HOSPITALS PROVIDED FOR THE COUNTY AS A WHOLE.

B.1) 2) TUBERCULOSIS, MATERNITY & CHILDREN'S HOSPITALS.

ACCOMMODATION IS CONTROLLED BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE AND THE MATTER IS DEALT WITH COMPREHENSIVELY IN THE COUNTY REPORT.

THE COUNTY SANATORIUM IS SITUATED AT MARKFIELD IN THIS DISTRICT.

AMBULANCE FACILITIES.

A. FOR INFECTIOUS CASES. AMBULANCE FACILITIES ARE PROVIDED BY THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE.

B. FOR NON-INFECTIOUS CASES & ACCIDENTS. BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL AMBULANCE SERVICE. AN N.C.B. AREA AMBULANCE STATION FOR COLLIERY ACCIDENTS IS SITUATED AT NAILSTONE COLLIERY.

CLINICS & TREATMENT CENTRES. ALL UNDER THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE LOCAL AUTHORITY.

THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH IS A PART TIME OFFICIAL.

THE CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR, WHO IS ALSO SANITARY SURVEYOR, DEVOTES PART OF HIS TIME TO HEALTH DUTIES. TWO ADDITIONAL SANITARY INSPECTORS DEVOTE THE WHOLE OF THEIR TIME TO THEIR OFFICIAL DUTIES.

PROFESSIONAL NURSING IN THE HOME.

THE COUNTY COUNCIL'S HEALTH VISITORS VISIT CASES IN THIS DISTRICT. THERE ARE DISTRICT NURSES IN ALL THE LARGER PARISHES.

MIDWIVES.

THE SUPERVISION OF MIDWIVES IS VESTED IN THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

FOOD & DRUGS SAMPLING.

ANALYSES OF FOODS AND DRUGS ARE CONDUCTED BY THE COUNTY ANALYST AND SAMPLING IS CARRIED OUT BY THE WEIGHTS & MEASURES DEPARTMENT OF THE COUNTY COUNCIL.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

1. WATER SUPPLY.

(1) A. THE PIPED WATER SUPPLIES HAVE BEEN SATISFACTORY BUT THE QUALITY OF THE WELL SUPPLIES HAS BEEN MOSTLY UNSATISFACTORY.

B. THE PIPED SUPPLIES WERE GENERALLY SUFFICIENT IN QUANTITY ALTHOUGH SHORTAGES IN SUPPLY DID OCCUR ON OCCASIONS AND STRICT ECONOMY HAD TO BE ENFORCED. THE DISTRICT RELIES ON FIVE OUTSIDE WATER UNDERTAKINGS FOR SUPPLY AND DIFFICULTIES WERE EXPERIENCED OUTSIDE OUR CONTROL. IN PARTICULAR REDUCED PRESSURES IN PUMPING MAINS CAUSED GREAT INCONVENIENCE.

C. NO SERIOUS SHORTAGES OCCURRED IN ANY PARISH, AND WHERE NECESSARY, ARRANGEMENTS WERE MADE FOR TEMPORARY SUPPLIES.

(2) PIPED SUPPLIES -- SAMPLES TAKEN FOR ANALYSIS..... 2.

(3) WATERS LIABLE TO HAVE PLUMBO SOLVENT ACTION ...NO ACTION HAS BEEN TAKEN.

(4) WATER SUPPLIES FROM PUBLIC MAINS:-

DIRECT TO THE HOUSES.		BY MEANS OF STANDPIPES.	
NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES.	POPULATION.	NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES.	POPULATION.
5,948.	21,894.	198.	851.

NO. OF PARISHES WITH PIPED WATER SUPPLY:-

(A) FROM PUBLIC MAINS:- 18. (B) FROM PRIVATE RESERVOIRS:- NIL.

NO. OF PARISHES WITHOUT A PIPED SUPPLY OF WATER:- 2.

PARTICULARS OF EXTENSION OF PUBLIC WATER SUPPLIES:-

EXTENSIONS TO EXISTING MAIN TO SERVE NEW HOUSING SITES AND ISOLATED PROPERTIES.

NO. OF CASES IN WHICH PIPED SUPPLY WAS SUBSTITUTED FOR WELL WATER:- 24.

WATER SUPPLIES FROM WELLS:-

No. OF SAMPLES TAKEN FOR ANALYSIS:- 10.			
SATISFACTORY.		UNSATISFACTORY.	
CHEMICAL.	BACTERIOLOGICAL.	CHEMICAL.	BACTERIOLOGICAL.
0.	1.	0.	9.

No. OF WELLS CLOSED..... 8. No. OF WELLS CLEANSED ETC.... 8.
No. OF HOUSES RELYING ON WELL SUPPLIES.....2,216.

FUTURE PROPOSALS.

THE SOUTHERN AREA SCHEME COMMENCED IN JULY AND STEADY PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE.

A PROPOSAL TO EXTEND THE MAIN TO ORTON ON THE HILL IS BEING PURSUED.

EXTENSIONS TO MAINS AT RATBY AND GROBY ARE BEING CONSIDERED TO LINK UP WITH PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT AND COUNCIL HOUSE DEVELOPMENT.

2. SEWAGE DISPOSAL.

No. OF CESSPOOLS CONSTRUCTED DURING THE YEAR..... 9.
No. OF CESSPOOLS ABOLISHED DURING THE YEAR..... 27.
TOTAL No. IN DISTRICT ON DEC. 31ST. 1954..... 226.

EXTENSIONS TO SEWERS, NEW WORKS OR IMPROVEMENTS DURING THE YEAR:-

BAGWORTH PUMPING MAIN NOW COMPLETED AND WORK COMMENCED ON THE BATTRAM PORTION OF THE SCHEME.

EXTENSIONS TO SEWAGE WORKS AT DESFORD AND RATBY COMMENCED.

THE NAILSTONE SCHEME HAS BEEN COMMENCED.

No. OF PARISHES WITH EFFICIENT SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS.... 14.
No. OF PARISHES WHERE NEW SCHEMES HAVE BEEN FORMULATED.. 2.

FUTURE PROPOSALS.

NO PROGRESS IS TO BE REPORTED ON THE STAPLETON SCHEME. BARTON IN THE BEANS SCHEME SUBMITTED TO THE MINISTRY FOR APPROVAL.

NEW SCHEME PROPOSED FOR FENNY DRAYTON.

EXTENSIONS TO IBSTOCK SEWAGE WORKS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL.

DETAILS HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED RE DADLINGTON SEWERAGE TO HINCKLEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

EXTENSIONS HAVE BEEN APPROVED AT GROBY TO SERVE PRIVATE DEVELOPMENT.

3. CLOSET ACCOMMODATION.

TOTAL No. IN DISTRICT ON 31ST. DEC. 1954:-

(1) PRIVIES.... 4. (2) PAIL CLOSETS...1,928. (ESTIMATED)
(3) W.C'S..... 6,496.

No. OF CLOSETS CONVERTED TO WATER CARRIAGE SYSTEM DURING YEAR:-

(A) PRIVIES..... 1. (B) PAILS..... 71.

GRANT MADE TOWARDS COST OF CONVERSIONS:- £4. PER CONVERSION.

No. OF PRIVIES (MIDDENS) CONVERTED TO PAIL CLOSETS DURING YEAR..... 1.

MEANS FOR THE CLEANSING OF EARTH CLOSETS, PRIVIES, ASHPITS & CESSPOOLS:-

THE CLEANSING OF EARTH CLOSETS AND PRIVIES IS NOT UNDERTAKEN BY THE COUNCIL. CESSPOOLS ARE EMPTIED WHEN

THE OWNER UNDERTAKES TO PAY THE COST OF SUCH WORK. ASHPITS ARE EMPTIED AS NECESSARY, MOST OF THESE HAVE BEEN ABOLISHED BUT STILL A FEW REMAIN.

PAIL CLOSETS.

EMPTIED BY DIRECT LABOUR. CONTENTS DISPOSED OF ON FARM LAND AND PLOUGHED IN. WEEKLY COLLECTION.

4. PUBLIC CLEANSING.

HOUSE REFUSE IS REMOVED BY DIRECT LABOUR.

No. & TYPE OF VEHICLES EMPLOYED:- 5 REFUSE VEHICLES. (2 DENNIS AND 3 KARRIER BANTAM TYPE REFUSE COLLECTORS)

FREQUENCY OF COLLECTION:- WEEKLY.

No. OF PARISHES COVERED BY ROUTINE COLLECTION:-

WHOLE DISTRICT OF 20 PARISHES.

DISPOSAL OF HOUSE REFUSE:-

No. OF CONTROLLED TIPS..... 1.
No. OF CRUDE TIPS..... 4.
INCINERATION..... -

5. SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA.

TOTAL No. OF COMPLAINTS RECEIVED..... 167.
TOTAL No. OF DEFECTS OR NUISANCES DISCOVERED... 133.

6. INSPECTIONS MADE.

	FIRST INSPECTIONS.	RE-VISITS.
ANIMAL KEEPING.	19	14
BAKEHOUSES.	10	4
DAIRIES.	18	13
DRAINAGE WORKS.	227	154
DWELLING HOUSES (ALL PURPOSES)	1,787	1,071
FOOD PREMISES.	76	47
OFFENSIVE TRADES.	-	-
REFUSE COLLECTION & DISPOSAL.	175	81
RODENT CONTROL.	827	421
SCHOOLS.	11	3
SHOPS.	37	17
SLAUGHTER HOUSES & MEAT INSPECTION.	1,325	252
SMOKE OBSERVATIONS.	-	-
TENTS, VANS, SHEDS ETC.,	28	17
VERMINOUS & DIRTY PREMISES.	17	38
WATER SUPPLIES.	301	127
WORKSHOPS, OUTWORKERS ETC.,	17	9
OTHER INSPECTIONS.	296	83
TOTAL.	5,171.	2,351.

NOTICES.

PRELIMINARY.	HOUSING.	PUBLIC HEALTH.
OUTSTANDING ON 1ST. JANUARY.	-	21
ISSUED DURING YEAR.	-	123
COMPLIED WITH DURING YEAR.	-	122
STATUTORY ACTION NECESSARY.	-	8
OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.	-	22

STATUTORY.	HOUSING.	PUBLIC HEALTH.
OUTSTANDING ON 1ST. JANUARY.	-	1
ISSUED DURING YEAR.	-	8
COMPLIED WITH DURING YEAR.	-	8
OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.	-	1

SUMMARY ACTION.

NO. OF SUMMONSES ISSUED.	NO. OF CONVICTIONS OBTAINED.
1	1

7. SHOPS.

PARTICULARS OF ANY ACTION TAKEN DURING YEAR UNDER PROVISIONS OF THE SHOPS ACT 1950:-

	OUTSTANDING FROM PREVIOUS YEAR.	DEFECTS FOUND.	DEFECTS REMEDIED.	OUTSTANDING 31ST. DECEMBER.
SANITARY CONVENIENCES.	1	9	8	2
TEMPERATURE.	-	-	-	-
VENTILATION.	-	1	1	-
WASHING FACILITIES.	1	5	5	1
LIGHTING.	-	3	3	-

8. CAMPING SITES.

NO. OF SITES USED FOR CAMPING PURPOSES DURING YEAR..... 1.
NO. OF CAMPING SITES FOR WHICH LICENCES HAVE BEEN ISSUED..... 1.
ESTIMATED MAXIMUM OF CAMPERS RESIDENT IN AREA DURING SUMMER SEASON..... -
NO. OF LICENCES ISSUED FOR MOVEABLE DWELLINGS, SECTION 269, PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1936..... 2.

ONE PERMANENT CARAVAN SITE IS LICENSED. SANITARY CONVENIENCES AND WATER ARE PROVIDED ON THE SITE.

9. REGULATED BUILDINGS.

REGULATED BUILDINGS.	NO. IN DISTRICT.	NO. OF INSPECTIONS.	ACTION TAKEN.	GENERAL CONDITIONS.
COMMON LODGING HOUSES.	-	-	-	-
TENTS, VANS, SHEDS ETC.	47	45	-	FAIR
CANAL BOATS.	-	-	-	-
OFFENSIVE TRADES.	-	-	-	-

10. ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.

PARTICULARS OF ACTION TAKEN:-

No. OF COUNCIL HOUSES INFESTED..... 2.
No. OF OTHER DWELLING HOUSES FOUND INFESTED..... 4.
No. OF HOUSES DISINFESTED..... 6

METHODS EMPLOYED FOR DISINFESTATION:-

USE OF D.D.T. AND GAMMEXANE BY GENERATORS AND SUBSEQUENT SPRAYING WITH D.D.T. SOLUTION.

CARRIED OUT BY LOCAL AUTHORITY..... 6.
CARRIED OUT BY CONTRACTOR,..... -

METHODS EMPLOYED FOR ENSURING THE TENANTS' BELONGINGS ARE FREE FROM VERMIN BEFORE REMOVAL TO COUNCIL HOUSES:-

IN DOUBTFUL CASES THE HOUSING OFFICER CALLS IN THE SANITARY INSPECTOR FOR ADVICE.

MEASURES TAKE FOR SUPERVISION OF EDUCATION OF TENANTS TO PREVENT INFESTATION OR REINFESTATION:-

PERIODIC REINSPECTIONS BY THE HOUSING OFFICER AND SANITARY INSPECTOR.

11. PREVENTION OF DAMAGE BY PESTS ACT, 1949.

PARTICULARS OF ACTION TAKEN:-

ALL REFUSE TIPS TREATED SYSTEMATICALLY. REGULAR 6-MONTHLY TEST BAITING OF SEWERS AND SEWAGE WORKS. TREATMENT AND ADVICE GIVEN TO HOUSEHOLDERS FREE. BUSINESS PREMISES CHARGEABLE TO THE OCCUPIER.

STAFF EMPLOYED ON THESE DUTIES:- 2 PART TIME OPERATORS.

12. SCHOOLS.

No. OF SCHOOLS DISINFECTED:- NIL.

PARTICULARS OF OTHER ACTION TAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH SCHOOLS:-

MICE INFESTATIONS TREATED AT MARKFIELD AND MARKET BOSWORTH SCHOOLS.

13. SWIMMING BATHS AND POOLS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

No. IN AREA:-

PUBLICLY OWNED..... NIL. PRIVATELY OWNED..... NIL.

No. OF INSPECTIONS:-

2 INSPECTIONS MADE TO PRIVATE SWIMMING POOLS.

14. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

ICE CREAM.

No. OF PREMISES REGISTERED:-

(A) MANUFACTURE AND RETAIL..... 2.
(B) MANUFACTURE ONLY..... -
(C) RETAIL ONLY..... 48. (ALL PRE-PACKED.)

No. OF SAMPLES..... NIL.
GENERAL REMARKS..... NIL.

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD. (CONT)

MILK SUPPLY.

DAIRIES (OTHER THAN DAIRY FARMS) AND DISTRIBUTORS (SECTION 8 MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS 1949)					
	No. ON REGISTER.	No. OF INSPECTIONS.	No. OF CONTRAVENTIONS.		
			FOUND.	REMEDIED.	OUTSTANDING ON 31ST. DEC.
DAIRIES.	19	31	7	7	-
DISTRIBUTORS.	121	57	11	12	-

BIOLOGICAL MILK SAMPLES.

No. OF SAMPLES TAKEN.	RESULTS.		
	SATISFACTORY.	EVIDENCE OF LIVING TUBERCLE BACILLI.	EVIDENCE OF BRUCELLA ABORTUS.
143.	123.	3.	17.

NO. OF INDIVIDUAL SAMPLES TAKEN FOLLOWING A POSITIVE BRUCELLA ABORTUS REPORT ON A ROUTINE SAMPLE..... 297.

PARTICULARS OF ANY ACTION TAKEN IN CASES WHERE THERE WAS EVIDENCE OF LIVING TUBERCLE BACILLI OR BRUCELLA ABORTUS:-

IN MOST CASES CO-OPERATION BY THE FARMERS RESULTED IN THE OFFENDING ANIMALS BEING REMOVED FROM THE HERD AS SOON AS DISCOVERED. IN TWO INSTANCES STOPPAGE NOTICES WERE SERVED UNDER SECTION 20 AND ONE WAS WITHDRAWN AFTER THE ISOLATION OF THE PARTICULAR OFFENDING ANIMAL. IN THE OTHER CASE THE NOTICE IS STILL OPERATIVE AND THE COUNCIL HAVE REPUDIATED THE FARMER'S CLAIM FOR COMPENSATION ON THE GROUNDS THAT OVER A PERIOD OF TWO YEARS HE HAS IGNORED ALL ADVICE AND NOT TAKEN THE REQUIRED STEPS TO IMPROVE THE POSITION.

MILK SAMPLING.

CLASS.		No. OF SAMPLES.	SATISFACTORY.	UNSATISFACTORY.
DESIGNATED.	"TUBERCULIN TESTED" "ACCREDITED" "PASTEURISED" "STERILIZED"	--------	----NIL----	---------
ORDINARY.				

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) (PASTEURISED & STERILIZED MILK) REGULATIONS 1949.

PARTICULARS OF LICENCES ISSUED:-

(A) DEALERS' LICENCES:
PASTEURISED..... 9.
STERILISED..... 3.

(B) SUPPLEMENTARY LICENCES:
PASTEURISED..... 2.
STERILIZED..... -

MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS)(RAW MILK) REGULATIONS 1949.

PARTICULARS OF LICENCES ISSUED:-

(A) DEALERS' LICENCES..... 7.
SUPPLEMENTARY LICENCES..... -

MEAT AND OTHER FOODS.

	Prior to 1st. July.	After 1st. July.
No. of (~~Regional~~) Slaughterhouses in Area....	-	16.
No. of Animals slaughtered in ditto.....	-	5,869.
No. of Animals examined in ditto.....	-	5,869.
No. of Animals slaughtered elsewhere.....	216.	-
No. of Animals examined elsewhere.....	31.	-
No. of inspections of meat at time of slaughter.....	27.	5,684.
No. of Knackers' Yards in Area.....	-	-
No. of visits to Knackers' Yards.....	-	-

MEAT STALLS.

No. of inspections..... Nil.

MEAT SHOPS, MEAT STORES ETC.

No. of inspections..... 29.

PLACES WHERE FOOD (other than Meat) IS KEPT OR PREPARED FOR SALE.

No. of inspections..... 67.

Action taken:-

Various tinned and dried goods inspected and destroyed as unfit for human consumption.

Total weight..... 2 cwts. 2 qrs. 9 lbs.

The condemned food is disposed of by burial.

CARCASES INSPECTED AND CONDEMNED.

	Cattle excluding Cows.	Cows	Calves	Sheep & Lambs.	Pigs.	Total weight in lbs.
No. killed.	820.	-	45.	3,812.	1,408.	Not known.
No. Inspected.	820.	-	45.	3,812.	1,408.	Not known
All Diseases except Tuberculosis.						
Whole carcases condemned.	1.	-	1.	2.	2.	580.
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	12.	-	-	2.	3.	-
Percentage of number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis.	1·6	-	2·2	0·1.	0·35.	-
Tuberculosis Only.						
Whole carcases condemned.	1.	-	-	-	-	850.
Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned.	12.	-	-	-	13.	-
Percentage of the number inspected affected with Tuberculosis.	1·6	-	-	-	0·9.	-

TOTAL WEIGHT CONDEMNED.

Meat:- 11 cwts. 2 qrs. 8 lbs.
Offals:- 4 cwts. 2 qrs. 18 lbs.

15. HOUSING.

(A) NEW HOUSES.

HOUSES COMPLETED DURING YEAR BY:-	TYPE.		AV: COST PER HOUSE.	AV: RENT INCLUSIVE OF RATES.
	PRE-FABRICATED PERMANENT.	PERMANENT.		
1. LOCAL AUTHORITY.	-	56.	£1,300.	21/- P.W.
2. PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.	-	75.	£2,100.	36/- P.W.
HOUSES IN COURSE OF ERECTION AT END OF YEAR BY:-				
1. LOCAL AUTHORITY.	-	32.	-	-
2. PRIVATE ENTERPRISE.	-	56.	-	-

TOTAL NO. OF POSTWAR HOUSES COMPLETED BY:-

(A) LOCAL AUTHORITY..... 1,026.
(B) PRIVATE ENTERPRISE..... 408.

TOTAL NO. OF APPLICANTS FOR COUNCIL HOUSES AT END OF YEAR.. 1,275.
NO. OF APPLICATIONS RECEIVED DURING YEAR..... 89.

(B) INSPECTION OF DWELLING HOUSES DURING THE YEAR.

(1) TOTAL NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES INSPECTED FOR HOUSING DEFECTS(UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH OR HOUSING ACTS)..... 1,787.

NO. OF INSPECTIONS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE..... 2,858.

(2) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES INCLUDED UNDER SUB-HEAD (1) ABOVE WHICH WERE INSPECTED AND RECORDED UNDER THE HOUSING CONSOLIDATED REGULATIONS 1925 & 1932..... NIL.

NO. OF INSPECTIONS MADE FOR THE PURPOSE..... NIL.

(3) NO. OF DWELLINGS FOUND TO BE IN A STATE SO DANGEROUS OR INJURIOUS TO HEALTH AS TO BE UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION..... 5.

(4) NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES (EXCLUSIVE OF THOSE REFERRED TO UNDER THE PRECEEDING SUB-HEAD) FOUND NOT TO BE IN ALL RESPECTS REASONABLY FIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION..123.

(C) REMEDY OF DEFECTS DURING THE YEAR WITHOUT SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICE.

NO. OF DEFECTIVE DWELLING HOUSES RENDERED FIT IN CONSEQUENCE OF INFORMAL ACTION BY THE LOCAL AUTHORITY OR THEIR OFFICERS..... 114.

(D) ACTION UNDER STATUTORY POWERS DURING THE YEAR.

(A) PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTIONS 9, 10 & 16 OF THE HOUSING ACT 1936:-

1. NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES IN RESPECT OF WHICH NOTICES WERE SERVED REQUIRING REPAIRS..... -
2. NO. OF DWELLING HOUSES WHICH WERE RENDERED FIT AFTER SERVICE OF FORMAL NOTICES..... -

(B) PROCEEDINGS UNDER PUBLIC HEALTH ACTS:-

1. NO. OF DWELLINGS IN RESPECT OF WHICH NOTICES WERE SERVED REQUIRING DEFECTS TO BE REMEDIED..... 8.

2. No. of dwelling houses in which defects were remedied after service of formal notice:-
   (a) By Owners..... 8.
   (b) By Local Authority in default of owners.. -

(c) Proceedings under Sections 11 & 13 of the Housing Act 1936:-

1. No. of dwelling houses in respect of which Demolition Orders were made..... 5.
2. No. of dwelling houses demolished in pursuance of Demolition Orders..... -

(d) Proceedings under Section 12 of the Housing Act 1936:-

1. No. of separate tenements or underground rooms in respect of which Closing Orders were made..... -

(E) Housing Act 1936 - Part IV - Overcrowding.

(a) 1. No. of dwellings overcrowded at end of year..Not known.
2. No. of families dwelling therein..... -
3. No. of persons dwelling therein..... -

(b) No. of new cases of overcrowding reported during year.....Not known.

(c) 1. No. of cases of overcrowding relieved during year..... 18.
2. No. of persons concerned in such cases..... 91.

(d) Particulars of any cases in which dwelling houses have again become overcrowded after the local authority have taken steps for the abatement of overcrowding:-

In several instances tenants in Council houses have been rehoused in larger houses.

(F) Housing Summary.

(a) Total No. of occupied houses in District..... 8,333.
(b) Total No. of Council houses occupied in District. 1,430.

(G) Housing Act 1949.

No. of applications for reconditioning grants..... in respect of 79 houses.
No. of applications approved during the year..... 59.
No. of applications refused during the year..... 10.

16. Other Sanitary Conditions not previously noted.

The Pet Animals Act 1951.

No licences have been issued in connection with this Act.

Rag Flock and other Filling Materials Act 1951.

No premises are registered.

17. Staff.

No. of Staff:- (a) Qualified..... 3.
(b) Unqualified..... -
(c) Clerical..... 1.

Staff increase or decrease during year:-

Increased by appointment of an Additional Sanitary Inspector.

18. FACTORY ACT 1937 AND 1948.

INSPECTIONS.

No. ON REGISTER..... 57.

No. OF INSPECTIONS..... 69.

No. OF NOTICES..... 5.

DEFECTS FOUND.:-

WANT OF CLEANLINESS....	4.	REMEDIED.....	3.
REFERRED BY H.M.I.	4.		
SANITARY CONVENIENCE DEFECTIVE.....	3.	REMEDIED.....	4.
NOT SEPARATE FOR SEXES.....	2.	REMEDIED.....	1.

OUTWORK.

No. OF OUTWORKERS IN AUGUST..... 279.

HOSIERY.....	209.	TEXTILES.....	9.
GLOVES.....	6.	CORSETS.....	1.
SHOES.....	12.	UNDERWEAR.....	7.
BRACES.....	9.	MISCELLANEOUS.....	11.
TOY PLASTIC.....	15.		

THERE WERE NO PROSECUTIONS OR NOTICES SERVED.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

DURING THE YEAR 1954, 680 CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE WERE NOTIFIED AS COMPARED WITH 624 IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

THE PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY IS SITUATED AT THE ISOLATION HOSPITAL, GROBY ROAD, LEICESTER.

THE FOLLOWING SPECIMENS WERE EXAMINED:-

FAECES.....	30.
URINE.....	1.
THROAT AND NOSE SWABS.....	21.
BLOOD.....	-
SPUTUM.....	-

ONE SAMPLE OF SAUSAGE WAS EXAMINED IN CONNECTION WITH A FOOD POISONING NOTIFICATION.

PREVALENCE AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE. (CONT)

THE FOLLOWING CASES OF INFECTIOUS DISEASE WERE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR:-

DISEASE.	TOTAL CASES NOTIFIED	CASES ADMITTED TO HOSPITAL.	TOTAL DEATHS.
DIPHTHERIA.	0	0	0
SCARLET FEVER.	46	28	0
PNEUMONIA.	23	1	8
ERYSIPELAS.	3	0	0
PUERPERAL PYREXIA.	1	0	0
POLIOMYELITIS.	1	1	0
MEASLES.	458	1	0
WHOOPING COUGH.	132	2	1
DYSENTERY.	9	0	0
OPHTHALMIA NEONATORUM	1	0	0
MENINGOCOCCAL INFECTION.	1	0	0
FOOD POISONING.	5	0	0

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE, THE FOLLOWING CASES OF TUBERCULOSIS WERE NOTIFIED DURING THE YEAR:-

AGE PERIODS.	NEW CASES.				DEATHS.			
	RESPIRATORY.		NON-RESPIRATORY.		RESPIRATORY.		NON-RESPIRATORY.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
UNDER 1 YEAR.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 AND UNDER 5 YEARS.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 AND UNDER 15 YEARS.	2	-	2	1	-	-	-	-
15 AND UNDER 45 YEARS.	1	3	3	-	1	1	-	-
45 AND UNDER 65 YEARS.	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
OVER 65 YEARS.	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-
TOTALS.	4.	4.	6.	3.	2.	1.	-	-

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN UNDER THE PUBLIC HEALTH (PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS) REGULATIONS 1925, NOR WAS ANY ACTION NECESSARY UNDER SECTION 62 OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1925.

DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION.

I AM INDEBTED TO THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH FOR THE COUNTY FOR THE TABLE RECORDED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE:-

NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO WERE IMMUNISED DURING THE PERIOD 1ST. JANUARY - 31ST. DECEMBER 1954.

AGE AT 31/12/54 I.E. BORN IN YEAR.	UNDER 1. 1954.	1. 1953.	2. 1952.	3. 1951.	4. 1950.	5. 1949.	6. 1948.	7. 1947.	8. 1946.	9. 1945.	10. 1944.	11. 1943.	12. 1942.	13. 1941.	14. 1940.	TOTALS.
PRIMARY IMMUNISATION.	26.	256.	36.	3.	3.	15.	4.	1.	1.	-.	2.	2.	8.	3.	2.	362.
BOOSTER DOSE.	-	-	-	-	8	202.	26.	10.	3.	2.	1.	3.	1.	-	-	256.

COUNCIL OFFICES,
MARKET BOSWORTH.
NUNEATON.
GHF/DD.

SEPTEMBER 1955.